

Mechanized bulls endanger 'cowpokes'

By TINA NAVARRO

EDITOR'S NOTE: Author of this story, Tina Navarro, injured her back when she was thrown off a mechanical bull at Country Fever in Longview. As a result of this injury, she missed a week and a half of school and still has not fully recovered from the injury.

Urban cowboys, workers by day and cowboys by night are turning up in many emergency rooms after riding the popular bucking mechanical bulls.

"We get more injuries from mechanical bulls than from people riding real bulls," emergency room physician at Good Shepherd Hospital in Longview says.

"Riding a mechanical bull is a lot harder than it looks and you can get seriously hurt without realizing it," Ennis sophomore Tina Navarro says. She was injured while riding the mechanical bull at Country Fever in Longview.

The mechanical bull ride has become popular in western nightclubs and bars since the movie "Urban Cowboy" was released this summer. Even star John Travolta quipped that he was "black and blue" from riding the mechanical bull by trying to make it look easy.

Both men and women are getting hurt on the bulls. Good Shepherd Hospital reports that they have been getting about as many men as women injured by the bulls. Most patients are anxious to get back on the bull.

In the last two months, approximately 20 persons injured by mechanical bulls have shown up for treatment at Good Shepherd Hospital.

Injuries range from broken arms and legs to mild bruises. The main type of injuries include bruised shoulders and back and wrist strains. The most serious injuries are back injuries, which in some cases are permanent.

Most country-and-western establishments require riders sign a release form which says the establishment is not responsible for injuries received by a rider.

The mechanical bull ride is said to be no more dangerous than a football game. One main problem of bull riding is most riders don't know how to fall when they are thrown off.

"At first, I didn't want to ride the bull. I didn't stay on it very long. I think that it's just another fad," Gladewater freshman Jason Waller says. He rode the bull at Country Fever.

The mechanical bull has settings that range from 1-10, with 10 the fastest speed.

Most riders don't worry about bracing themselves because bulls are surrounded by lots of padding. One of the best ways to avoid injuries is to simply be careful and use common sense.

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Groups may file queen nominees

Homecoming Queen nominating petitions must be turned in to the Student Affairs office no later than 4 p.m. Monday. Voting will be Oct. 27.

Every organization recognized by the Student Senate is eligible to submit one Homecoming Queen nominee. Nominations take place within each organization, with the winner collecting 50 student signatures on a petition, along with four faculty signatures.

The week of Oct. 20 has been

Candidates must file petitions

Students wishing to run for freshman class officer must turn in their petitions by Oct. 20. Voting will be Oct. 27.

To run for office, students pick up a petition form from the Student Affairs office. The petition must be signed by 50 persons and four instructors.

Voting Oct. 27 will be by secret ballot in the hall between the Student Center and the Teepee in conjunction with Homecoming Queen elections.

Senate sets all-student carnival eve

The Student Senate will feature a Halloween carnival to run in conjunction with the BSU's spookhouse and the Tri-C's haunted house, Friday, Oct. 31 in the Teepee/Student Center complex.

Campus organizations will set up booths for participants.

Organizations interested in participating should contact Student Senate President Jeff Clark.

The carnival will begin at 8 p.m. and last until midnight.

set aside for campaigning.

Primary elections are scheduled Oct. 27 in the hall between the Student Center and the Teepee. The five candidates receiving the largest number of votes will be considered finalists.

Students will vote again Oct. 31 to determine which of the five reigns as Homecoming Queen. Results of the election will remain secret until revealed in the pre-game activities at the Homecoming game.

All candidates will participate in a presentation at the downtown fountain plaza the day of the Kilgore game.

Hays' class plans trip

The best way to learn a language is to practice it first hand in a country where it is used, says Spanish instructor John Hays. Hays and 15 Spanish students will leave March for Mexico City.

For six days and seven nights, the group will tour the city, putting to use their language training. To be eligible to go, a student must have completed one semester of Spanish. The purpose of the trip is to practice their Spanish skills, Hays says.

The trip will cost approximately \$265 including hotel and airfare. The group will fly via Aereo Lineas Mejanas.

Hays hopes to secure three semester hours credit for the participating students. He said the trip would be "valuable whether there are credit hours or not."

Last year Hays took a group of students to Guadalajara. Although they did not receive college credit for the trip, he feels that students gained a great deal from studying the language in its "native environment."

He said the trip was "very successful" and hopes to accomplish as much or more this year in Mexico City.



(Staff photo by Kim Harris)

A bloody good showing

Students gave a little bit of themselves when they donated blood to benefit the Shriner's Burn Hospital.

200 pledges involved in Greek activities

More than 200 men and women are in the midst of pledging.

A pledge is a student who has accepted a bid from a sorority or fraternity but has not yet been initiated.

To receive a bid, a written invitation given by a sorority or fraternity to join that group, a person must attend rush parties and apply for a bid.

Several pledges say it is a good way to make friends.

The Pan Hellenic Council was established to promote sisterhood and unity of purpose among the Greek letter social sororities. The Council meets every other week to make and enforce rules for rushing, pledging and general sorority business. Three representatives from each sorority comprise the Council. Dean of Women Anna Carpenter is advisor.

Carpenter's job is to oversee the sororities, help the Council plan activities and check grades.

The three social sororities are Tau Kappa, Sans Souci and Zeta Phi Oemga. They host an all-sorority tea to begin

rush each year.

These sororities are not national but their scholastic achievements, fellowship, spirit of sympathy and understanding will help develop a philosophy that will be sustaining power through life, says Carpenter. The average cost for being in a sorority is \$150 per year.

The Inter-Fraternity Council has a similar role for the Greek letter social fraternities. This Council, whose advisor is Student Affairs Director Billy Jack Doggett, oversees all fraternity activities to preserve the good name and statutes of TJC.

Chapters are in Delta Upsilon, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Alpha Tau Omega, Alpha Tau Alpha and Pi Kappa Alpha. Each fraternity has one representative on the Council. These fraternities are national.

Doggett has invented a system to choose the best fraternity on campus based on campus involvement, civic activities, charity drives and grade point. He says grade averages are especially stressed.

Enrollment shows trend

TJC enrollment figures follow the national trend in which women outnumber men on college campuses.

Registrar Kenneth Lewis says in the 1979 fall semester enrollment women outnumber men 3,642 to 2,778. Tentative figures for this semester show women lead in enrollment 3,863 to 2,921, he says.

TJC's largest age bracket is 18-19. The next largest group is 23-30. The average age of a student is 24.3.

"We have a lot more older students than I thought," Lewis said.

The largest increase in women is in evening classes, he says.

The U.S. Census Bureau reports the greatest contrast in enrollment across the nation is in the 35-and-older age bracket where women outnumber men 914,000 to 487,000. Enrollment of men and women younger than 35 is basically equal, the report shows.

Jane Wells-Schooley, vice president of National Organization for Women, says this tremendous increase is due to recent laws prohibiting discrimination against women in enrollment and the pressure for extra education in job competition.

'Duke' rests in peace

Though the Apache is a widely-known TJC symbol, it is not the only mascot ever used. A bulldog named Duke had the run of the

campus and was official mascot for six years.

President H.E. Jenkins says this huge bulldog just wandered up to campus one day and proceeded to take over. Duke could often be seen lying in the main corridor of Jenkins Hall sprawled comfortably on the floor. Students took care of Duke, petting and feeding him goodies from the cafeteria. A group of women students even painted his toenails.

Duke returned the affection and one day demonstrated his pride in his new-found home by bringing his girlfriend, another huge bulldog, to his adopted home and introducing her to the good life he had found here. Together they ruled the campus.

But every story has an ending and Duke's is no different. As he was attempting to cross Fifth Street, Feb. 7, 1962, he was hit by a car and killed, bringing to an end his happy career as the officially unofficial mascot.

Students refused to let the story end there. Because Duke had meant so much to them, they decided to do one last loving thing for him. Duke was given a

funeral, complete with all the ceremony expected at the final farewell to someone as important as Duke had been. A bugler on the roof of Jenkins Hall played "Taps" and Duke was laid to rest. A headstone was placed over the grave to remind future students of this faithful and loving friend.

The tombstone is still there, behind Jenkins Hall. The inscription bidding a fond farewell reads:

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Voters face 9 amendment decisions

The first of this three-part series covered proposed amendments No. 1, 2 and 3 concerning unmanned bank teller machines, state's rights of appeal and property tax appraisals, which will appear on the Nov. 4 ballot along with the following proposals:

Proposition No. 4: The constitutional amendment to authorize bingo games on a local option basis if the games are conducted by a church, synagogue, religious society, volunteer fire department, nonprofit veterans organization, fraternal organization, or nonprofit organization supporting medical research or treatment programs and if the proceeds are to be spent in Texas for charitable purposes of the organizations.

For: As charitable efforts, bingo games would benefit society. If prohibited they would deprive many people, particularly the elderly, of a social activity. Law enforcement authorities in some communities now give approval to the games by failing to enforce their prohibition; this amendment would allow each community to decide for itself whether to permit bingo games conducted by charitable organizations.

Against: Fraud in such games is a very real possibility, as organized crime is already a growing problem in the state. Low-income persons are most

Mascot fires spirit

Andy Navarro of Leakey is the new mascot. Joe Flores of Tyler is alternate. Neither has had previous experience but their Indian heritage made the difference, says Emma Lou Prater, assistant student activities director.

The mascot paints his face and wears a buckskin costume with an Indian headdress. Fans see his talent when he performs the Indian dance at halftime.

The mascot position was announced at freshman orientation and candidates signed up in Prater's office. The candidates were required to attend the first two pep rallies. Those who attended the second pep rally

were given a chance to tryout.

Prater judged the tryouts and interviewed each candidate. A committee of two Student Senate members then made the final choice advised by Prater. The committee included Cricket Harris and Pat Blackshear.

The mascot helps cheerleaders at their practice sessions and with their regular duties. He also helps with crowd control at games in addition to the Indian dance, Prater said.

Being mascot is a good experience if you want to meet people and go places, Navarro says. "It isn't easy and fans don't realize the work that goes into the activities."

committee composed of the same leaders who steered the appropriations bill; such a committee will likely thwart any substantial changes in its own work.

Proposition No. 6: The constitutional amendment to authorize the governor to remove appointed officers with the advice and consent of the Senate.

For: Because current methods for removal are expensive, time-consuming and difficult, they are seldom used. A simpler, quicker method is needed to remove those officials, among the hundreds the governor appoints each year, who are found incompetent or neglectful in their appointed tasks. The amendment would give the governor some power over the more than 200 agencies for which he is held accountable, while avoiding abuse of that power by requiring two-thirds of the Senate to agree to a proposed removal.

Against: This proposed amendment would give the governor too much control over state agencies, increasing the threat of political influence. It would do little to give him more control of the executive branch, since it allows him to remove only his own appointees, with even that eliminated by the two-thirds of the Senate requirement.

vulnerable to the hope of winning money, and losses would mean additional hardships for them. Bingo games conflict with the work ethic, encouraging people to make "easy money" through gambling.

Proposition No. 5: The constitutional amendment to grant the governor power to exercise fiscal control over the expenditure of appropriated funds as provided by law.

For: The state annually spends more than \$10 billion of taxpayers' money; this amendment would enable the governor to cut unnecessary spending and bring efficiency to programs where money is needed. Budget execution should be in the hands of the chief executive elected and answerable to the people, rather than numerous appointees. Without such power, the governor is deprived of an essential tool of leadership—control of state spending.

Against: Both the legislature and the governor already have and use adequate means for checking on how state agencies spend their money. Under the amendment, the governor's attempts at fiscal control would be subject to approval of a legislative

BSU convenes

Nineteen TJC students were among 3,700 at the recent 61st Annual Texas Baptist Student Convention in Fort Worth.

The most significant aspect of the convention, says BSU director Geno Robinson, was the announcement of 114 summer missionary positions for students next summer.

The mission fields open to the students include 10 foreign countries, as well as 30 home mission areas, he said.

Music by the 1980 Baptist All-State Youth Choir and the gospel group Carpenter's Company highlighted daily services.

Carpenter's Company also appeared at the BSU fall retreat at Green Acres Retreat Center Oct. 10-11.

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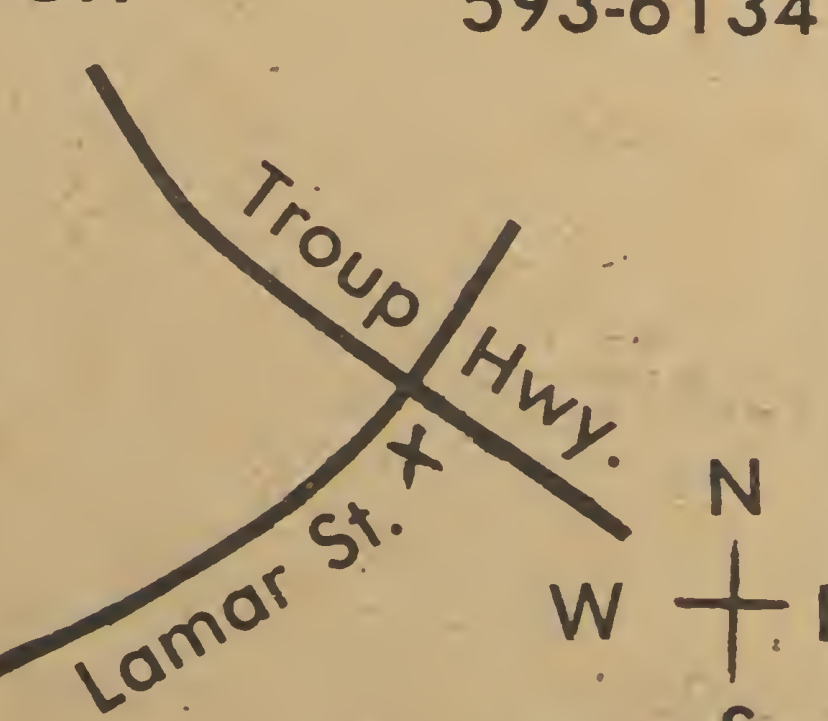

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10 a.m. - Wesley "Rap with Charles"
10:20 a.m. - Pep Rally, Wagstaff Gym
11:30 a.m. - Tri-C Hot Soup/Bread
7:30 p.m. - Football with Wharton here
7:30 p.m. - Rose Queen Coronation
10:30 p.m. - After-game Party, Teepee

FRIDAY, OCT. 17

7 p.m. - Tri-C Fellowship/Devotional
7:30 p.m. - Rose Queen Coronation

MONDAY, OCT. 20

6 p.m. - BSU Greater Council Meeting
7 p.m. - BSU Koinonia
Petitions due for Homecoming Queen and Freshmen Class Officers

TUESDAY, OCT. 21

10 a.m. - Wesley Foundation Devotional
Noon - 4 p.m. - Pictures made for homecoming nominees, Photo Dept.
4 p.m. - Chess Club meets
6 p.m. - Tri-C Dinner/Devotional

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 22

Noon - Agape Luncheon, BSU
7:30 p.m. - Country Western Dance, Teepee
9:30 p.m. - Wesley Worship

Club sets strategy

To be in the Chess Club, a student needs an interest in playing two-person games such as chess, backgammon and checkers, and should attend the weekly meetings. The club meets from 4-4:30 p.m. every Tuesday in Jenkins 218. Dues are \$3.

Students do not have to know how to play chess to be in the club; they can be taught if they want to learn. "It is organized for co-eds, and I encourage everyone to examine the club," says President Joe Flores.

If a student interested in join-

Lewis flexes mental muscle

Petroleum technology instructor Jim Lewis was identified in the Oct. 2 TJC News as having a B.S. degree in physical education. That should have been physics education, a subject which emphasizes muscles more mental than physical.

Our apologies.

ing has a class during that time, she may talk to math instructor George Tefteller and the meeting times might be changed.

Other officers are vice president Otha Baker and secretary Linda Lehw.

"We elected ourselves because we were the original starters of the club," says Flores. "A real election will be held for the second semester." Tefteller is sponsor of the newly organized club.

Big dances in Wagstaff Gym are being planned as fund-raising projects, Flores says. Officers' parents are supporting the club until money can be raised for tournaments.

This semester the group hopes to get organized, raise money, and practice games at meetings. Tournaments will begin next semester.

The club plans tournaments with the junior colleges who compete with TJC in football.

Students create to music

Art students in Charline Wallis' freshman design classes have been whistling while they work to the tunes of Duke Ellington. It's a part of a study of rhythm, color and abstract painting.

After listening to several types of music including rock and classical, the artists chose to express themselves to the jazzy sounds of Duke Ellington. These expressions are visualized in a series of acrylic and tempera paintings displayed on the second floor of the Aleck Genecov Science and Arts Building.

"Students were able to react to the music. The paintings are very individual and expressive," comments Wallis.

Besides providing an unusual approach to art, Wallis says the music is beneficial in helping students grasp "abstract expressionism" and "understand the relationship between mood, creation and color."

While others may not find the logic of mixing art and music, to Wallis it is crystal clear. "All creative arts are related," she says, explaining that music, art and dance are all forms of expressionism. Terms such as mood, feeling, color and creation are related to all.

Wallis noted that student reaction to the paintings has been mixed. "Some remarks have been critical, because people do not understand expressionism. Gen-

erally the paintings are appreciated."

Wallis, who has a master's degree from Stephen F. Austin

State University, says she finds sculpturing the best way to release her artistic talent.

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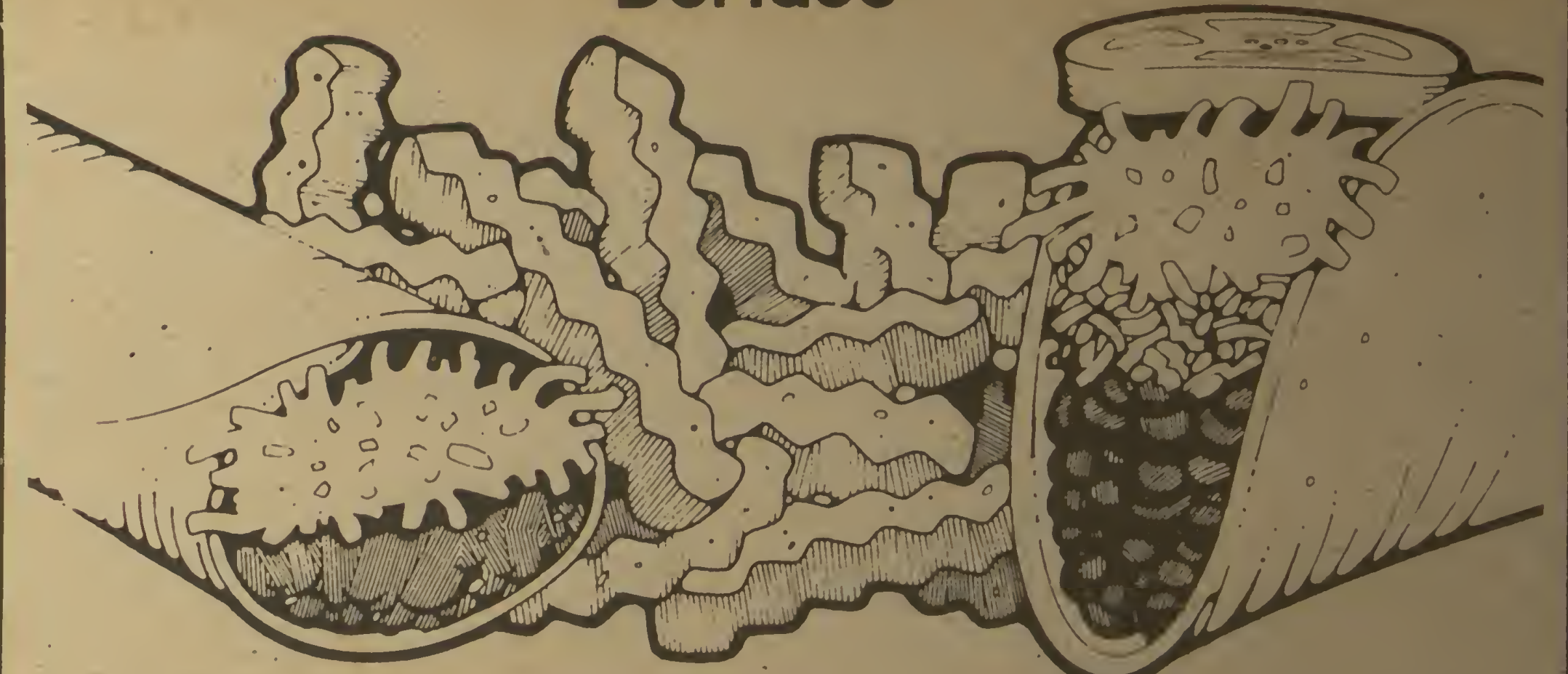
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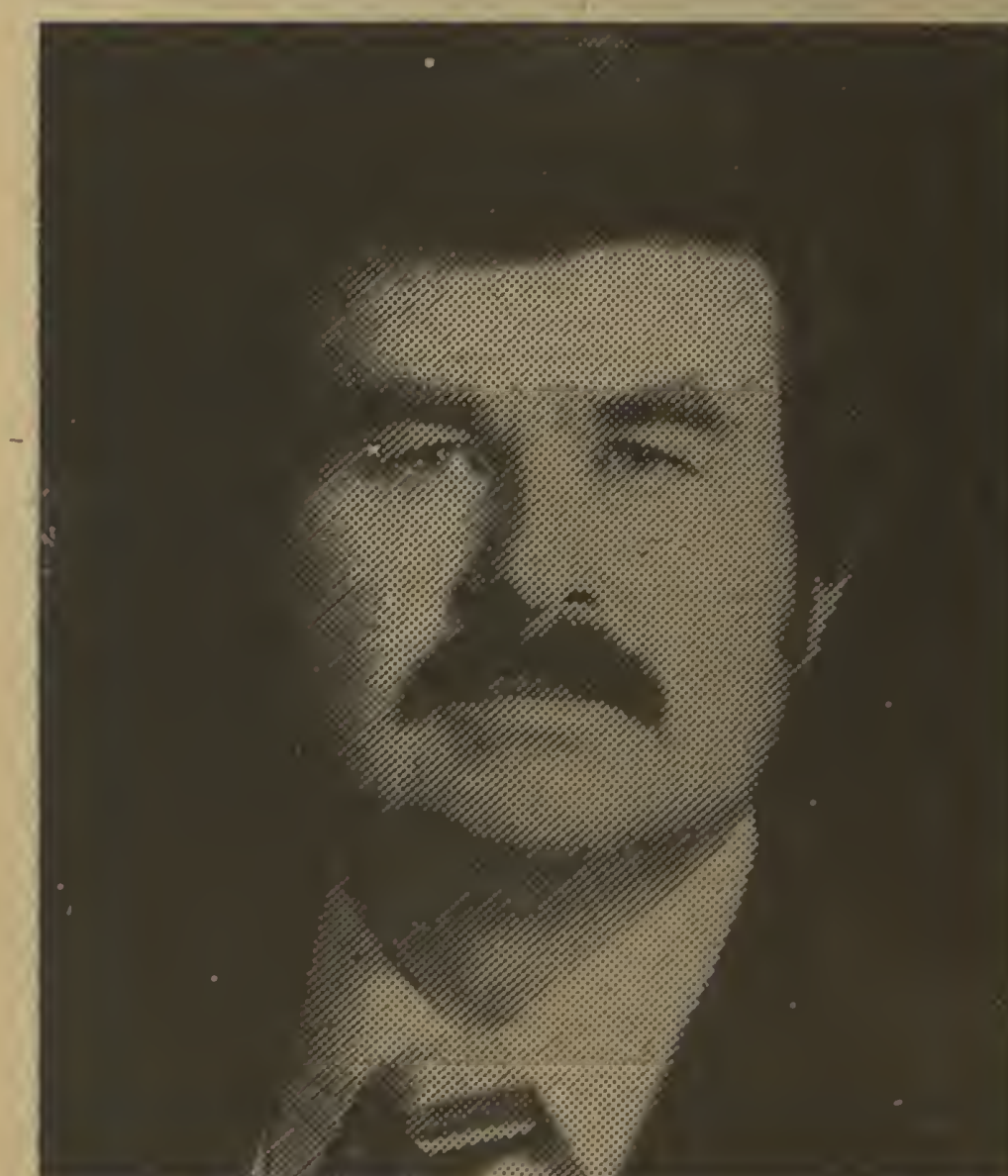
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Tribe to try Wharton tonight

Fresh from a 17-0 blanking of Blinn, the Apaches try to run

their win streak to two in a row at 7:30 tonight when they take on winless Wharton in Rose Stadium.

Wharton has not won a game since 1977 when they defeated TJC for their only win that year. Since, they have gone 29 consecutive games without winning, relieved only by a 14-14 tie with Henderson County two games back.

Saturday's victory over Blinn evened the Tribe's season record to 3-3. Included in those three wins is a 34-9 rout at Wharton in the season's second game.

The Apaches looked as though they would repeat their Brenham performance in the season's third game as they fumbled on first possession Saturday and Blinn drove to the one. The Buccaneers gave the pigskin right back—that was just the beginning of Blinn's problems for the night.

Following a Buccaneer punt in the second quarter, the Apaches drove to the Blinn 10-yard-line before stalling and calling on Stanley Jackson for a 27-yard field goal.

Blinn took the ensuing kickoff and drove to the TJC 32-yard line. There, faced with fourth-and-one, they went for it and failed. The Tribe proceeded to move 68 yards to the Blinn 30, more than half of

it in a 35-yard Mitchell-to-Jackson halfback pass. The drive culminated in a Bobby Newton-to-Troy McGinty 7-yard pass and the Tribe led 10-0 at the half.

The night's final score came when the Apaches' regular starting quarterback Nathan Brown, reinstated last week after sus-

pension for disciplinary reasons, scampered 33 yards with 2:46 left in the contest. Jackson's PAT made it 17-0 and that's the way it will stand forever.

Columbus Harris, also just reinstated, led the 'Apaches' rushing attack with 98 yards in 21 carries while Gary Flannel added 86 yards in 15 carries.

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3 teams blanked

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The Posse roped the Nads 14-0. The Heads whitewashed the Sig Eps 13-0.

The Animals dusted off the Untouchables 16-0.

In women's play all but one were shutouts.

The P.E. Majors remained unbeaten as they beat BSU 14-0 and the PDB's 6-0.

The Bateman Babes had no luck at all, dropping two games. Tau Beta Knocked them around 12-0 and the Zetas edged them 7-0.

Tau Beta defeated Tau Kappa

18-0. Tau Kappa took their revenge out on San Souci, 13-6.

Men's Standings

Team	Won	Lost
1. Yangs	3	0
2. Delta Upsilon	3	0
3. Tri-C Spurs	2	1
4. ATA	2	1
5. Animals	1	1
6. Heads	1	1
7. Posse	1	1
8. BSU	0	1
9. Heaven and Earth	0	1
10. Nads	0	1
11. Untouchables	0	1
12. Sig Eps	0	1

Women's Standings

Team	Won	Lost
1. P.E. Majors	5	0
2. Tau Beta	3	1
3. Zetas	3	2
4. Tau Kappa	2	2
5. PDB's	1	2
6. Bateman Babes	1	2
7. BSU	0	2
8. Sans Souci	0	3

Tennis program improves netters' game for spring

The men's tennis team is off to a winning start under Head Coach Fred Kniffen.

The Apaches have compiled a

3-1 record with wins against Centenary College, Paris and Kilgore junior colleges. The only loss was to the University of Texas at Austin.

Assistant coach for men and women is Arthur Rosiles. Rosiles played for TJC several years ago before becoming head pro at Glade Tennis and Swim Club in Gladewater for two years.

The fall tennis program is designed to improve your game and not get burned out before next spring rolls around, Kniffen says. This is the reason for practice matches instead of so many tournaments.

The only defeat was an 8-1 loss to the Longhorns Oct. 6 in some close matches.

Erwin Dannenberg was the only victor in Austin, defeating Doug Crawford 6-2, 6-2, but there were some bright spots, Kniffen says. Everyone played well including Doug Hall's third set loss to Ted Erck and Tim King's third set loss to Doug Snyder, Texas coach's son.

In doubles, Lance Watson and Hall also lost a tough fight in three sets.



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Women win again

Women's tennis team breezed by Kilgore Oct. 2, without losing a match. Donna Watson practices her forehand for an upcoming match.

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